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PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Every year, more than two million of disabled and elderly citizens are victims of physical and emotional abuse and neglect, and exploitation and they are denied many of their rights; and

WHEREAS, In 2006, approximately more than **9,387** vulnerable adults were the victims of abuse, neglect, or exploitation in Kentucky; and

WHEREAS, The health and well-being of disabled and elderly people in our state should be one of our highest priorities and of concern to all Americans; and

WHEREAS, No aspect of our society—technology, agriculture, science, religion, sports, education—would enjoy its current prominence without the contributions from those who are elderly or have disabilities; and

WHEREAS, We can all benefit from the wisdom and knowledge acquired by Americans who are elderly or have disabilities. The experience of their past can help our state meet the challenge of its future; and

WHEREAS, People who are elderly or have disabilities are among the most important resources of our state, and it is fitting that we recognize the need to protect their health, safety, and rights;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Donald E. Carroll, Hopkins County Judge Executive do hereby proclaim the month of May 2007 to be **Elder Abuse Awareness Month** in Madisonville, Kentucky and urge all citizens to work together in the years to come to help reduce abuse and neglect of people who are elderly or have disabilities.

Dated this 1st day of May, 2007

Signature


DONALD E. CARROLL

HOPKINS COUNTY JUDGE EXECUTIVE

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